रखते हुए घरेलु मांग, उपलब्धता तथा कीमतों का मूल्यांकन करने के बाद कोटा रिलीज किया जाता है।

कम्पनियों द्वारा कर की चोरी

101. **श्री अनन्तराम जायसवाल :** क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 28 जनवरी, 1996 के हिंदी दैनिक समाचार पत्र हिंदुस्तान, नई दिल्ली में "करोडों रूपये की कर चोरी कर रही है भारतीय कम्पनियां" शीर्षक से प्रकाशित समाचार को ओर दिलाया गया है, यदि हां, तो उस पर सरकार की प्रतिक्रिया क्या है,

(ख) गत पांच वर्षों के दौरान की गई कर की चोरी का कम्पनी-वार ब्यौरा क्या है और इस सबंध में सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की गई है, और

(ग) उसके क्या परिणाम निकले हैं ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम.वी. चन्द्रशेखर मूर्ति) : (क) से (ग) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Existing credit curbs on industries

102. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY: SHRI G. PRATHAPA REDDY:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the industrialists have recently requested for easing the existing credit curbs on the industry; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (DR. DEBI-PROSAD PAL): (a) and (b) It is not clear from the Question as to which credit curbs on industries the Hon'ble Member has referred to. However, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that sanction of bridge loans by banks and financial institutions against public issues had been prohibited and continues to be so because at the moment there does not seem to be a risk-free arrangement possible for these advances, which are mostly in the form of unsecured credit. RBI has also advised the banks on December 1, 1995 that repayment of bank credit for imports will not be permitted before expiry of one month from the date of disbursement/ drawal of import finance.

NTC Units in Punjab

103. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of units of NTC that are functioning in Punjab; and

(b) the number of such units which are likely to be set up in that State during the next two years?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) There are 4 nationlised textile mills in Punjab under the NTC (DP&R) Ltd. There is no proposal to set up any new unit in Punjab during the next two years.

Self-assessment by tax payers

104. SHRI YERRA NARAYANA-SWAMY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Governmet have initiated measures to encourage self-assessment by tax payers on their income;

(b) whether any projects have been implemented to improve image of Income Tax Department; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKHAR MURTHY): (a) As per Section 140A of Income-tax Act, 1961 if any tax is payable on the basis of any return required to be furnished after [J taking into account the amount of tax, if